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Mr. Charles L.A. Terreni
Chief Clerk/Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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Docket No. 2006-187-C - BellSouth Telecommunications, Incorporated's Petition for Review of NXX Code Denial in the Columbia Rate Center.

Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) reviewed the above referenced Petition and finds that the public interest will be served by granting BellSouth's Petition. Our review revealed that the North American Numbering Plan Administration's denial of BellSouth's request for additional numbering resources will impact the ability of BellSouth to serve School District 5 of Lexington and Richland Counties. Thus, ORS supports BellSouth's Petition for reversal of the North American Numbering Plan Administration's denial of numbering resources.

Sincerely,

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